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Parker Shaffie LLP Launches New Practice Areas Pursuing Justice for Survivors of Child Abuse, Sexual Abuse and Sexual Assault

Los Angeles, Calif. (Feb 9, 2026)—Parker Shaffie LLP, a decades-long proponent of ethical and professional responsibility in the practice of law, is now bringing that same advocacy to representing survivors of child abuse, sexual abuse, and sexual assault.

The new practice is co-led by Partner Shawn Shaffie and Senior Counsel Dave Zygielbaum, a former Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney. The firm is applying its knowledge of legal standards and institutional liability to hold individuals, as well as public and private entities, accountable for systemic failures.

“For decades, our firm has been the authority on how the law should be practiced. Now, we are using that expertise to confront institutions that have failed their most basic ethical duty: protecting the vulnerable,” said Shaffie. “We aren't just adding a practice area; we are bringing a trial-tested, ethically rigorous framework to this space because we believe that the pursuit of justice must be as honorable as the cause itself.”

Zygielbaum’s 17 years of experience with the District Attorney’s office includes time co-leading the Complex Child Abuse Section. As a current Trustee of the Torrance Unified School District Board of Education, he brings a career-long focus to institutional accountability and the protection of vulnerable populations.

Part of Shaffie’s practice focuses on exposing the gap between promised care and the reality of institutional misconduct within drug rehab and sober living facilities.

“Dave understands both the prosecutorial rigor required for high-stakes cases and the internal governance of public entities, allowing him to identify exactly where institutional reporting and supervision systems fail,” says David Parker, founding partner at Parker Shaffie. “This public-sector insight is complemented by Shawn’s extensive experience litigating malfeasance within

the private addiction recovery industry. Together, they offer our clients a sophisticated, trial-tested path to justice that addresses both public and private sector failures."

Parker Shaffie will look at each abuse plaintiff through the lens of its professional liability and legal ethics perspective, using three principles:

Vetted Accountability: Taking on cases where institutional "blind eyes" and systemic failures have caused profound harm, holding organizations to the highest standard of care.

A Sanctuary of Advocacy: Ensuring the litigation process does not become a secondary source of trauma and providing an environment where the survivor's dignity remains the central priority.

Percise Pursuit of Justice: Providing clients with the attention to detail for which the firm is known—pursuing compensation for medical care, emotional distress, and lost earnings.

"Our mission is to help survivors reclaim their voice and their sense of control," says Zygielbaum. "By combining the compassion and commitment to accountability shaped through years of dedicated public service with our firm's deep foundations in legal ethics, we are setting a new standard for how these matters are handled."

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